

Application procedures

Candidates are required to fill up the following items:

- Application form (available at <http://ams.edu.sg/education-training/staff-registrar-scheme-diploma>)
- Obtain endorsement from their Head of Department and their Human Resource Department. Please refer to your sponsoring institution for the withdrawal and bond policy (if any).
- Attach the supporting documents (certified as true copies) as indicated in the application form and mail to:

Academy of Medicine, Singapore
Education & Training Department
81 Kim Keat Road
#11-00 & #12-00, NKF Centre
Singapore 328836

**HOW
TO
APPLY?**

Fee structure

*Registration fee:	\$500 (non-refundable one-time payment)
*Course fee	\$7,250 per year
*Examination fee	\$250 per year
*Supplementary fee	\$500 per year

**Prevailing rate of Goods and Services Tax (GST) is not inclusive in the fees and is collected on top of the above fees. All fees are non-refundable upon commencement of training. These fees are exclusive of any fees payable to SMC for change of practice site during the practicum.*

Contact details

Email : amsent@ams.edu.sg
Website : <http://www.ams.edu.sg>

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Diploma in Palliative Medicine



Programme Objectives

The Diploma in Palliative Medicine is designed for doctors aspiring to be a Staff Registrar who has attained knowledge and skills in evaluating and managing patients in Palliative Medicine. The structured programme and the close supervision of trainees will ensure the development of a competent and safe Staff Registrar.

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Admission Criteria

This programme is open to all medically-trained doctors who possess Full registration or Conditional registration with the Singapore Medical Council (SMC). However, applicants must also satisfy the following criteria for admission into this programme:

- Currently working in Palliative Medicine **and** have completed at least **ONE** year of clinical work in Palliative Medicine in the same Palliative Medicine unit of a local restructured hospital or in the same community hospice in Singapore;
- Have a sponsoring unit, department or institution;
- Have a programme supervisor who possesses Full registration with the SMC and is either a sub-specialist in Palliative Medicine or a specialist in Geriatric Medicine with extensive experience in Palliative Medicine. This supervisor should preferably work at the same institution as the applicant.

Programme Duration

This is a structured 2-year training programme. The programme involves the following components:

- Supervised Clinical Posting
- Case reports with focused Literature Review

Yearly Commencement date :
To be confirmed

Yearly Application period :
To be confirmed



Syllabus

Some of the modules that are taught and examinable during the 2-year training programme include:

History of palliative care
Prognostication
Basic cancer biology

Clinical Care of:

- End-stage heart disease
- End-stage respiratory failure
- Motor Neuron Disease
- Severe dementia, Parkinson's disease
- HIV/ AIDS
- End-stage liver failure & end-stage renal disease

Pain management
Malignant intestinal obstruction
Anorexia and cachexia in cancer
Hydration and nutrition in advanced cancer
Dyspnoea
Ascites
Difficult symptoms in palliative care
Emergencies in palliative care
Terminal care
Communication in palliative care
Wound and stoma care

Assessment Criteria

- Case reports and focused literature review.
- Final assessment: MCQ tests and short questions, Final OSCE Exam and final Clinical exam